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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

HENRY EDUARDO ALDAMA-
SUAREZ,

Petitioner,

v.

ALBERTO R. GONZALES, Attorney
General,

Respondent.

No. 04-74727

Agency No. A75-260-662

MEMORANDUM^{*}

On Petition for Review of an Order of the
Board of Immigration Appeals

Submitted November 8, 2005^{**}

Before: WALLACE, LEAVY, and BERZON, Circuit Judges.

Henry Eduardo Aldama-Suarez, a native and citizen of Guatemala, petitions for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' ("BIA") decision summarily affirming an immigration judge's ("IJ") order denying his application for asylum.

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^{**} The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

We have jurisdiction pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1252. Reviewing for substantial evidence, *see Lata v. INS*, 204 F.3d 1241, 1244 (9th Cir. 2000), we deny the petition for review.

In order to qualify for asylum, a petitioner must show a causal connection between the harm suffered and a protected ground. *Sangha v. INS*, 103 F.3d 1482, 1486-1487 (9th Cir. 1997). The record supports the IJ's conclusion that Aldama-Suarez failed to establish the gunshot wounds and threats of future harm he suffered were on account of his political opinion. *See id.* at 1490.

Accordingly, substantial evidence supports the IJ's decision that Aldama-Suarez is ineligible for asylum. *See id.* at 1491.

PETITION FOR REVIEW DENIED.